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HCHD School Immunization Clinics

There are NEW vaccines needed for students entering kindergarden and 7th grade. Take advantage of HCHD's upcoming FREE School Immunization Clinics. More info available [online](#).

HCPSS Expands Summer Food Service Has begun and will continue through July 29, **Mon-Fri 12:30-2pm** at four locations: **Phelps Luck ES, Laurel Woods ES, Long Reach HS, and Talbott Springs ES (12:45-2:15pm)**. For more details and eligibility, call **410-313-6736**.

School Capacity Update

HCPSS is planning for the next phase of redistricting to begin in **May 2017**, in preparation for a new school opening in **August 2018**. Find more [here](#).



Howard County Restaurant Weeks



Food, Farms, Films and Fun! Mark your calendars for the event of the summer - the seventh annual Howard County's Film Festival and Restaurant Weeks runs **July 18-August 1, 2016**. Enjoy local flavors and creative recipes from your favorite Howard County restaurants and farms. This year the "Festival" will feature the film "Just Eat It" about food waste and food rescue and will be held on **Tuesday, July 18 6-8:30pm** at Clarks Elioak farm. Just Eat It looks at our systemic obsession with expiry dates, perfect produce and portion sizes, and reveals the core of this seemingly insignificant issue that is having devastating consequences around the globe. It brings farmers, retailers, inspiring organizations and consumers to the table in a cinematic story that is equal parts education and delicious entertainment. It will begin with an array of delicious farm fresh food samples and includes live music and educational booths. **Read more**

Watershed Stewards Academy: Seeking New Recruits

The WSA, an affiliate of the University of Maryland Extension in Howard County, will be holding a

series of information sessions highlighting its Master Watershed Steward program. These sessions will be training programs in order to empower residents to improve the quality of water in your local streams and rivers. Starting locally, you will learn and develop tactics to eventually be able to take on efforts in helping the Chesapeake Bay. Find more information [online](#).

Information sessions will be held:

Tuesday, July 12, 7pm- Savage Branch Library, Da Vinci Room
Thursday, July 14, 7pm- East Columbia Library
Saturday, July 30, 10am- Glenwood Branch Library
Wednesday, August 3, 7pm- Savage Branch Library, Da Vinci Room
Saturday, August 6, 3pm- East Columbia Library
Monday, August 8, 7pm- Miller Branch Library, Avalon Room

Recreation & Parks Seeks Public Input for LPPRP

Howard County's Department of Recreation & Parks is seeking input from residents for its Land Preservation, Parks and Recreation Plan (LPPRP), a comprehensive plan produced every five years that guides the department on plans for managing and enhancing the systems of preserved public lands, parks, and recreation facilities. Residents will have the opportunity to discuss their experiences to identify initial issues related to Recreation and Parks' programs, spaces and operations.

Two locations will hold meetings simultaneously on **Wednesday, July 13, 2016**, from **(7-9pm)**.

North Laurel Community Center
9411 Whiskey Bottom Road
Laurel, MD 20723

Roger Carter Community Center
3000 Milltowne Drive
Ellicott City, MD 21043

The LPPRP is due to be submitted to the Maryland Department of Natural Resources and Maryland Department of Planning by **July 1, 2017**. For more information on the LPPRP and to read the one submitted in 2012, visit the [website](#).

Sunset Serenades

Centennial Park South, 10000 Route 108, Ellicott City

On Wednesday evenings through August 3, enjoy this free popular summer concert series. Bring a blanket or lawn chair, a picnic supper, rent a canoe or paddleboat and enjoy music in the park. Refreshments will be available for sale, and at all Sunset Serenades concerts the Community Action Council of Howard County, Inc. will be collecting non-perishable food items for the Howard County Food Bank. The following group is scheduled to appear in July:

- **July 13** - Rainbow Rock (Children's Music)
 - **July 20** - Jenee' (R&B, Soul)
 - **July 27** - Gaelic Mishap (Celtic Rock)
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CPR Training: Get Trained in CPR

The Howard County Department of Fire and Rescue Services (HCDFRS) will be offering Hands-Only CPR training at no cost.

Dates:

July 13: 6-8pm at Gateway
August 11: 6-8pm at PSTC
August 24: 6-8pm at Gateway
September 20: 6-8pm at Gateway

Locations:

Gateway-**HCDFRS Headquarters**, 6751 Columbia Gateway Drive, Suite 400, Columbia, MD 21046

Master Gardener Rain Barrel Workshops

The Howard County Master Gardeners will be holding workshops and distributing rain barrels as they help Howard County learn how to use the rain barrels. Howard County residents will be eligible to receive a rain barrel (one barrel per address) after taking part of the workshops being offered from 9am-11am on the following Saturdays: **July 16; August 6 & 20; September 3 & 17 and October 1 & 15** at the Alpha Ridge Landfill, 2350 Marriottsville Rd. (Visit their [website](#) for more information)

Lakefront Happenings

Summer Concerts - Tuesday-Thursday & Saturday through Sunday in **July and August**. Sunday concerts begin at 6:30pm and all other concerts begin at 7:30pm and end by 9:30pm

Movies - Mondays & Fridays until mid-August, then Fridays and Saturdays until mid-September. Movies begin at dusk (about 8:30pm). All films are rates (G), (PG), or (PG13) as noted and are co-sponsored by the Columbia Film Society.

Dancin' Under the People Tree - Every Friday, until **September 9th**, free dance instruction with music will be held under the People Tree at the Downtown Columbia Lakefront from **6:30-8pm**. Tatia Zack will give instruction that's fun for beginners and those with experience. When the dance session ends, the movie begins!

Teen Open Mic Nights - Tuesdays **through July 26th** in partnership with Collison Music. Here's your chance to perform at the Lakefront! Sign-up starts at 6:45pm, first come, first served. Sorry, no bands with drum sets. For more details, email CALakefrontFestival@gmail.com.

Roving Radish - HoCo Fresh, Meals to Go

The Roving Radish has returned for its 2016 season! Promoting local farms and healthy eating, the Roving Radish program buys regionally grown food straight from the farm and prepares meal kits that are easy to cook. To learn more about the Roving Radish or place an order, call **410-992-2049** or visit their [website](#). If you are interested in volunteering to help the Roving Radish assemble kits, sign up [online](#).



2016 Farmers Market Season

There are no excuses not to eat fresh, especially when Howard County offers farmers markets five days a week throughout the county in the following eight convenient locations! Swing by and pick up fresh fruits, vegetables, meats and more! (Find more details [online](#).)

Miller Branch Library

(9421 Frederick Rd, Ellicott City)

Hours of Operation: **Wednesdays 2-6pm**

Open through **November 16, 2016**;

East Columbia Branch Library

(6600 Cradlerock Way, Columbia)

Hours of Operation: **Thursdays 2pm-6pm**

Open through **November 17, 2016**;

Howard County General Hospital

(5755 Cedar Ln, Columbia)

Hours of Operation: **Fridays 11:30am-4:30pm**

Open through **October 29, 2016**;

Maple Lawn

(8191 Westside Blvd, Fulton)

Hours of Operation: **Saturdays 9am-1pm**

Open through **October 29, 2016**;

Ellicott City Old Town Market

(The Wine Bin & Little French Market, Midtown Old Ellicott City)

Hours of Operation: **Saturdays 9am-1pm**

Open through **October 29, 2016**;

Glenwood Community Farmers Market

(2350 MD-97, Cooksville)

Hours of Operation: **Saturdays 9am-1pm**

Open through **October 29, 2016**;

River Hill Farmers Market

(River Hill Garden Center, 12165 Clarksville Pike)

Hours of Operation: **Saturdays 9am-1pm**;

Open through **November 5**;

Oakland Mills Village Center

(5851 Robert Oliver Place, Columbia)

Long Reach Pool Party 2016

Kendall Ridge Pool

Calling all Kendall Ridge residents... You are cordially invited to a Long Reach Pool Party, **Monday, July 18th from 6-8:30pm!** There will be fun games & a rockin' DJ! Space is limited to the first 200 people. Tickets are available at **Stonehouse, 8775 Cloudleap Ct #7 in Columbia.**



Residents will dine on pizza and sodas while enjoying a night of swimming. Proof of residency is required! One non-perishable food item (no glass containers) is required for each FREE ticket. Please check the expiration date as no expired items will be accepted and all donations will be made to the HC Food Bank. For tickets or more details, please call **410-730-8113**.

Cul De Sac/Street Beautification Grants

The Long Reach and Oakland Mills Community Association are pleased to announce that funds are now available for street beautification on a first-come, first-serve basis.

LRCA landscaping grants could provide funds up to \$200 for approved plans for the purchase of plant materials and provide coupons from local nurseries to help stretch your dollars. Grants are limited and available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Application packets are available at the front desk at Stonehouse. Please visit **Stonehouse, 8775 Cloudleap Ct #7 in Columbia** or call **410-730-8113** for more information.

OMCA Cul-de-sac Beautification grants of up to \$75 are available for up to 10 streets. There are also block party reimbursement funds of up to \$25 available for up to 16 streets. Funds are reserved on a first-come/first-serve basis and requests need to be made in advance with Sandy Cederbaum, Oakland Mills Village Manager, at manager@oaklandmills.org or **410-730-4610**. More details available on the Oakland Mills Community [website](#).

Applications Accepted for MIHU Program

Howard County Housing is now accepting applications for the July open enrollment period for the County's Moderate Income Housing Unit (MIHU) program. The enrollment period will end at 4 PM on **Friday, July 29th**. The MIHU program is an inclusionary zoning program that requires developers of new housing in certain zoning districts to sell or rent a percentage of the new dwelling units to households of moderate income. The program offers quality new homes at reduced sale prices and rents to income eligible individuals and families. For more information, or to register for the workshop, contact Howard County Housing's Homeownership Division at **410-313-6318** (select option 4). Visit Housing's MIHU [website](#) for more details.

Collision Avoidance Training

The HC Police Department will be conducting Collision Avoidance Training (CAT) classes through **December**. This is an advance defensive driving and vehicle control program for licensed teen driver's ages 16-20. Driving skills addressed include: evasive maneuvers, emergency braking, cornering, backing, skid recovery, steering, acceleration and more.

Students must operate their own vehicle and successfully complete each driving skill/maneuver to receive a certificate of completion. Space is limited. Cost is \$95. Generous program support and scholarships are provided by the Howard County Police Foundation, Erie Insurance and the Browning Reagle Insurance Agency. Sessions are: **July 23; August 20; September 17; October 15; November 19; and December 20**. For more information, visit our [website](#).

Oakland Mills Community Summer Events

Summer Bingo at The Other Barn:

July 29, 2016 @ 6:30pm - 8:00pm. To register contact Brigitta Warren at events@oaklandmills.org or 410-730-4610. More information [here](#).



Bike with a Cop:

Join us in Oakland Mills on **Thursday, August 4 at 6:30pm**. The route will begin at The Other Barn. All children under 9 must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, check the [website](#) or contact Brigitta Warren at 410-730-4610 or events@oaklandmills.org.

Pool Party:

Join us for the Oakland Mills Community Pool Party for food, DJ, and fun on **August 8th from 6:30-8:30pm**! This pool party is open to Oakland Mills residents only. You can purchase your tickets for \$3 per person, ages 3 and older, at The Other Barn. The pool location will be disclosed at tickets purchase. Advanced tickets only. No refunds and no rain date. Children ages 16 and under must be accompanied by an adult. More information [online](#) or contact Brigitta Warren at 410-730-4610.

Ruby's Artist Project Grants

Application Deadline: **August 1, 2016**

The 2016 Ruby's Grants in Literary and Visual Arts is accepting proposals now for funding of up to \$10,000. The program is open to active, practicing artists who have pursued their profession in their chosen discipline for more than three years. Artists must be 21 years of age to be eligible to apply. For more information or to apply, click [here](#).

Howard County Police Community Athletic Training Program

This summer the mobile recreation center is coming to your neighborhood. This program runs through **August 2** and includes a trailer filled with games and sports equipment that will be operated by school resource officers. The mobile recreation center will run from **9am-5pm**. Below is the list of scheduled locations for the program.

Mondays: Talbott Springs Pool (9660 Basket Ring Road, Columbia)

Tuesdays: North Laurel Community Center (9411 Whiskey Bottom Road, Laurel)

Fridays: Blandair Park (5750 Oakland Mills Road, Columbia)

For more information, contact the Howard County Police Youth Division program at 410-313-2620.

Ms. Biz Mornings

Ms. Biz Mornings is a FREE networking group for women in business hosted the 1st Tuesday morning of every month (**8:30am-10am**). Events are held at a different local business each month. 2016 schedule is as follows:

August 2	Life Dance Loft, 11200 Scaggsville Rd #125, Laurel
September 6	Spiritual Spectra - Jen Garcia, 10440 Shaker Dr #103, Columbia
October 4	Perspectives Art & Design, 8191 Main St, Ellicott City
November 1	Sacred Healing Hands, 11155 Stratfield Ct, Marriottsville
December 6	Kelsey's Kloset, 11200 Scaggsville Rd, Laurel/Fulton



National Night Out

Tuesday, August 2

The Howard County Police Department is joining up with the National Town Watch Association to sponsor the 33rd Annual National Night Out event. Residents are invited to join the thousands of other communities across America in supporting this crime prevention effort by turning on outside lights and spending time at neighborhood events and block parties. More information for registration is [online](#). If you have any other question,

71st Annual Howard County Fair

Howard County Fairgrounds, 2210 Fairground Rd,
West Friendship, MD 21794-9604

Bring your families and friends out to the Howard County Fairgrounds for fun events, food, games and rides as Howard County celebrates our 71st annual County Fair, August 6-13 8am-11pm. For more information, visit the Howard County Fair [website](#).

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Summer Camp

Register now for our Visual and Performing Arts Summer Camps! Camps run through **August 12** and are open to students entering grades K-7. Full- or half-day sessions and before and after care are available. For complete details or to register, visit the Howard County Summer Camps [website](#).

Third Annual Discover Downtown Columbia 5K and 1-Mile Fun Run

October 2, 2016 at 9am, The Plaza at The Mall in Columbia

Explore the fresh new look of Downtown Columbia while enjoying the iconic landmarks that the race course has to offer. There will be prizes awarded to the top three overall finishers (Male/Female) and top finisher (Male/Female) in each age category. There will also be entertainment featured before, during and after the event.

Registration fees are \$35 until **August 31** and \$40 beginning **September 1**. The 1-mile fun run is \$10 to participate. Register [online](#).

"Find Your Park HoCo" Quest

Our Department of Recreation & Parks has joined the national movement to connect people with parks in their communities through "Find Your Park HoCo," a program that guides the exploration of county parks with an interactive booklet. Participants who visit all eight parks throughout the summer can turn in their completed booklet anytime during the month of September to the Robinson Nature Center to receive a free prize bag and enter a grand prize drawing for a four-person camping tent and chairs from REI. To pick up your free booklet, stop by the **Robinson Nature Center** (6692 Cedar Lane, Columbia), **REI** (6100 Dobbin Road, Columbia) or one of this summer's [Sunset Serenades concerts](#). For more details, visit the [website](#).

2016 Howie Award Nominations

Know an exceptional individual or business who made contributions to arts in Howard County? Nominate them for the yearly Howie Award, which is given by the Arts Council to those who deserve recognition for their contribution to arts in these three categories: Outstanding Artist, Outstanding Arts Educator, and Outstanding Business or Community Supporter. Nominations for the 2016 Howie Awards must be received by **October 26, 2016**. For more information, visit their [website](#).

HCC Happenings

Kids on Campus

Looking for summer fun for your child? Howard Community College offers its popular Kids on Campus for youth ages 7 to 17 years old, as well as the HCC Sports School for youth who want to advance their athletic skills. Another addition for the summer youth programs is the Music Institute's Summer Enrichment Program for developing young musicians. Learn more [here](#)

HCC 5K Challenge RACE
October 30, 2016 at 8am, Howard Community College



Commit to creating a healthy community by participating in the HCC 5k Challenge Race! Experience HCC's beautiful campus and unique race course as your organization competes for prestigious "Challenge" awards and join teammates and participants in the Celebration Village to learn more about HCC, its partners, and programs! Click [here](#) for more information.

Grasscycle!

Cutting the grass is a part of everyone's summer chores, but here are some tips on how to save time, energy and the environment!

Try GrassCycling - leaving the grass clippings on your lawn as you mow to recycle naturally. Grasscycling is a gentle way to release nitrogen gradually on your lawn. It also saves you from bagging and dragging your grass clippings to the curb for pickup.

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